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Shot While Swimming

Kuala Lumpur, Oct. 3.—Reports from Kuala Lumpur said that Communist insurgents killed one British officer and three other ranks two miles from Bidor in South Perak on Saturday. The reports said that in addition, three other ranks were wounded.

Army headquarters yesterday later confirmed the reports which added the troops were swimming in a jungle river when the Communist soldiers who were standing guard over the swimmers attacked. The Communist fire immediately, killing two Communist, the report said.

It was also reported yesterday that Communist insurgents blew up two lengths of railway line near Sungai Siput in Perak State on Saturday night.

As a result, the night mail train from Kuala Lumpur to Penang, the Malayan Federation's two largest cities, was delayed for five hours till the line was restored. No one was injured in the explosion.—Associated Press.

Demolition Of Air Raid Huts Stopped

London, Oct. 3.—The local authorities in some English towns have been advised by the Home Office to stop the demolition of air raid shelters for the time being, it was learned here today.

In a letter to the Bolton (Lancashire) municipal authorities, the Home Office stated that "some considerable time must elapse before the local authorities can be permitted to proceed with the demolition of air raid shelters on an extensive scale."

The letter was sent in reply to representations made by the Bolton Health Committee which has applied for permission to demolish all the town's public shelters.

At Hull, Yorkshire, the demolition of surface shelters was stated to have been stopped on a Government order; no reason being given by the Department concerned.

A Home Office spokesman stated today that no general instructions to cease the demolition of air raid shelters had been issued to local authorities. (Continued on Page 5)

EDITORIAL

Heading For Recovery

BRITAIN'S position abroad has clearly improved since the financial crisis of August, 1947. The White Paper on the balance of payments in the first half of this year shows that the deficit in the country's overseas transactions is still enormous, but no longer beyond hope of cure. In the second quarter of the year Britain still lost almost £30 million worth of gold, although £22 million of this was covered as a first instalment of ERP aid. But the total drain on gold and dollar resources, which in 1947 was £1,024 million, was roughly halved to an annual rate of £508 million. In this period the balance of all the elements which form the nation's international relations has steadily improved. Exports have gained on imports. Earnings from shipping, trading and other activities invisible to Customs officers have yielded a small surplus and are now increasing. The entire sterling area has considerably reduced its own dollar deficit, which is a drain on joint gold reserves. Capital exports from Britain to the sterling area, which include a great deal of flight money as well as genuine productive investment, are still estimated at £145 million for the half year, but the Chancellor of the Exchequer has "unmistakable evidence" that the outflow of "hot money" has become quite small. As for sterling balances, the surprising fact that the rest of the sterling area, far from drawing down these balances at a rate that might seriously weaken the British effort, has actually been adding £116 million to its deposits in London. Other countries, mainly Argentina and France, have on the other hand used £142 million of their London balances to finance purchases. In these simple figures there is a great deal of reassurance about Britain's prospects. Sir Stafford Cripps, who is not a sanguine man, is clearly convinced that the recent improvement in the general situation will continue. He has told the House of Commons that Britain had now reached a position where, with the help of ERP, she should have to draw little or nothing from gold and dollar reserves. It may be necessary to pay in dollars for some goods which are later to be paid for under ERP but the deficits and credits under this heading should roughly balance. If the Chancellor's forecast is borne out, the nation at the end of the year should have about the same amount of gold and dollars as at the end of June, which was £473 million worth. That is a remarkable prediction which does not arise with any certainty from the published figures for the half year. Britain's deficit with the Western Hemisphere has been greatly reduced, but at the end of the half year was still running at a rate of nearly £400 million a year, and when other dollar liabilities are added the gap exceeds an annual rate of £500 million. American aid will provide rather more than £300 million in dollars. The point is, will the gap narrow quickly to a point where American aid will bridge it? Sir Stafford thinks so and we hope he is right. The aid which must be given to Europe will amount to £500 million in grants and liquidation of sterling balances, and though it would be wrong to set this against dollar receipts, the exports by which Britain's commitments will be carried out must retard paid exports to other countries. If Britain can give aid to Europe on this scale and remain a safe banker for the sterling area without losing any more gold while ERP aid continues, there is good reason to believe that complete recovery is no longer beyond the nation's grasp.

SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IN STATE OF UNCERTAINTY

What Can It Do About The Berlin Dispute?

Paris, Oct. 3.—The Berlin crisis comes before the Security Council tomorrow afternoon, with diplomatic experts still puzzled by what the United Nations can do about it.

The Soviets are certain to put up a stiff fight in the Council, at least in the procedural stage, but reliable sources think they may make an offer taking in:

1. Unification of Germany.
2. Withdrawal of all occupation troops from Germany by a specified date.

Informed quarters, however, do not rule out a chance of the Russian delegation walking out of the Council as it did in the Iran case in 1946.

It is expected that the Soviet delegate, who may be the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, supported by Mr. Dmitri Manuilsky (The Ukraine), will probably oppose placing the Berlin crisis on the agenda on the grounds that the Council is not competent to deal with it and that in any case there is no threat to peace.

The three Western delegates are then expected to argue that there is a real threat to peace and that, therefore, under the terms of the Charter, the Council is obliged to deal with the issue.

A vote will be taken, which is expected to be at least nine to two, in favour of adopting the agenda. This vote is procedural and not subject to the veto.

Diplomatic circles are finding it hard to estimate what exactly the Council can do.

ANYONE'S GUESS

Under Chapter VII of the Charter, if the Council finds there is a threat to peace it can first call on the parties to a dispute to "comply with such provisional measures as it deems necessary or desirable."

It is anyone's guess what such "provisional measures" might be. It is believed that the Colombian delegate will propose setting up a commission to investigate the situation on the spot, but such a move is certain to be blocked by a Soviet veto.

WESTERN POWERS CONFIDENT

Paris, Oct. 3.—Western Power delegates expressed confidence today that they would muster sufficient votes in the UN Security Council to override Russian objection to putting the Berlin issue before the Council. They said it was certain the Soviet Union would fight hard to keep the Council from reaching the question and would veto the ultimate expected adverse decision.

The Council's first meeting on the question will be Monday afternoon. The battle is expected to start then. But no vote is expected for days.

The Russians denied this. They ignore UN action and stand on their present position. This probable preview of Soviet policy came from Marshal Vassily D. Sokolovsky in Berlin. He said the whole German question and not just Berlin, is involved.

He reiterated the price of any agreement is dissolution of the Western Bloc, the U.S. and France. Sokolovsky indicated Four Power talks over Berlin broke down because the Western Powers would not discuss that point.

One Western delegate reiterated the issue is solely the blockade. He repeated the Western statement the Russians are trying to drive the Western Powers out of Berlin by force and in doing so, created a situation threatening the peace of the world.

He said Britain, the U.S. and France were willing to talk about the whole German situation, but only after the blockade of Berlin is lifted.—Associated Press.

New International Airport

Stuttgart, Oct. 3.—Stuttgart airport was reopened for international commercial traffic today when the first plane, a Pan American Lockheed Constellation, left for Stuttgart-Munich-Vienna line passed through.

If it should be decided to reserve the Rhine-Main airbase near Frankfurt exclusively for the allied, the airbase at Stuttgart will now be ready to become the South German stop for commercial airlines hitherto using Frankfurt.—Reuter.

Mr Marshall Speaks



Secretary of State George C. Marshall speaks before the United Nations General Assembly in Paris outlining U.S. basic foreign policy. He gave a thinly veiled warning to the Soviet Union that U.S. patience should not be mistaken for weakness.—AP Picture.

Yugoslavia's Split With Russia Widens

Cultural Links Cut

Bolgrade, Oct. 3.—Yugoslavia had cut all cultural and Youth Organisation links with Soviet Russia and the Cominform countries but rejected Soviet charges that she was joining the "Imperialist camps," Borba, the official Yugoslav Communist Party newspaper, stated today.

The article was regarded here as the clearest explanation of Yugoslav foreign policy since the rift with the Cominform. It stressed that Yugoslavia felt bound to the Eastern bloc in war or peace but intended to carry out "Marxist-Leninism to our own special conditions."

Commenting on an assertion in the Cominform journal that a small "people's democracy" could not remain independent for six months if the links with other "people's democracies" were broken, Borba rejected the claim.

Yugoslavia had all the essentials for an independent economic life, the newspaper said.

Any imperialist attack on Yugoslavia was "not impossible in the future but that would be a large-scale and serious war because Yugoslavia is not a small country and is internally very firm."

Even in such a case, Yugoslavia would not be isolated because an imperialist attack would also endanger an important part of the democratic world.—Reuter.

BULGARIAN ACTION

Sofia, Oct. 3.—An official communique said on Saturday night that the Bulgarian government has decided that the Yugoslav "People's Front" organisations throughout Bulgaria must be dissolved.

This decision had been reached because the organisations "carried on activity directed against the Soviet Union and the People's Democracies, against the Fatherland Front, the Bulgarian government and the Bulgarian Communist Party."

The communique continued that leaders of the People's Front organisations had turned these bodies into agencies of Marshal Tito.—Associated Press.

HUKS' DARING AMBUSCADE

Manila, Oct. 4.—In a daring ambush, Hukbalahaps killed seven Constabulary soldiers and one civilian and wounded five other Constabulary men on the National Highway just outside the town of Angeles in Pampanga on Saturday night, according to belated reports received in Manila.

The soldiers were on patrol when they were suddenly attacked by Hukbs. They deployed along both sides of the highway and the Hukbs withdrew after a 20-minute battle, apparently without casualties.

One Constabulary soldier was slain in an encounter in Nueva Ecija province.

Press reports said the Hukbs in Nueva Ecija apparently were trying to clear a path for the retreat of their leader, Luis Taruc, northward.—United Press.

WOMEN LED TO CAPTURE OF STERN GANG CHIEF

Tel-Aviv, Oct. 3.—Nathan Friedman Yellin, mild mannered chief of one of the world's most feared terrorist bands, was captured by a police check on two women.

Sources close to Israel Intelligence reported one of the women loved him and the other came from Eastern Europe to help him escape.

The government has not made public the documents seized when the Stern Gang leader was arrested in Haifa on Wednesday night. It may never be disclosed. It is reported, however, that they outlined his escape plan and throw light on the organisation's foreign connections.

The following account of the arrest of Friedman-Yellin is the best available from sources in a position to know:—

On September 18, the day after the assassination of the UN Mediator Count Bernadotte put the Stern Gang on Israel's outlaw list, six mysterious visas were issued by the Consulate of an Eastern European country in Jerusalem. These are believed to have gone to Sternists, one of them to Friedman Yellin.

Five apparently were used. But Friedman Yellin could not use his. He apparently decided he was too well known to take the chance of being recognised at any of the closely guarded ports of air and sea exit.

Two days before his capture, police released his wife who had been held for interrogation since the first raids on his known alternate residences in Tel-Aviv. She went to Haifa. The hunt then was concentrated there.

It developed that Friedman Yellin had left one Haifa hideout, shifted from a second and finally was caught in a third hideout. His wife may not have known of this house. In any case her trail did not lead police to her husband.

It was then the trail of the second woman was picked up. Her identity has not been disclosed.

That trail began somewhere in Eastern Europe from which she went to Prague, Czechoslovakia. From Prague she flew to Israel on business which Intelligence agents suspected was not legitimate. She was followed. And she went straight to Friedman Yellin in Haifa.

She brought everything necessary for his escape, a Czech passport which presumably had been forged, visas, and a forged exit permit from Israel.—Associated Press.

ROUTINE CHECK

The source said the party was carrying out a routine check of former Jewish positions near the Tulkuph suburb in the region now evacuated under the recent demilitarisation agreement.

It is reliably learned that the administrative status of the former Government House, also in Southern Jerusalem, neutralised area, is again being discussed. The building is at present under Red Cross protection, but well informed sources said it may be taken over soon by the United Nations.

Red Cross and UN officials are at present discussing the matter in Haifa, the source said.

The search for Stern Gang members charged with the assassination of Count Folke Bernadotte is continuing. A further eight alleged members of the group were arrested following the discovery in Jerusalem of a large arms cache.—Associated Press.

Two Ships In Distress

Manila, Oct. 4.—The Radio Corporation of America this morning intercepted SOS messages from two ships in distress off Okinawa—the LST-916 and LST-898.

The first SOS said, "LST-916 grounded on reef outside Naha pounding on reef," and gave the position as Lat. 26°13.50' North, Long. 127°30.38' East. The message was received at 1235 a.m.

The second message said, "LST-898 on reef one mile west of Pier Charlie, Buckner Bay entrance channel, small boat section. Ship breaking up." The message, signed by the master, was received at 0705 a.m.

Globe Wireless also intercepted the second message.—United Press.

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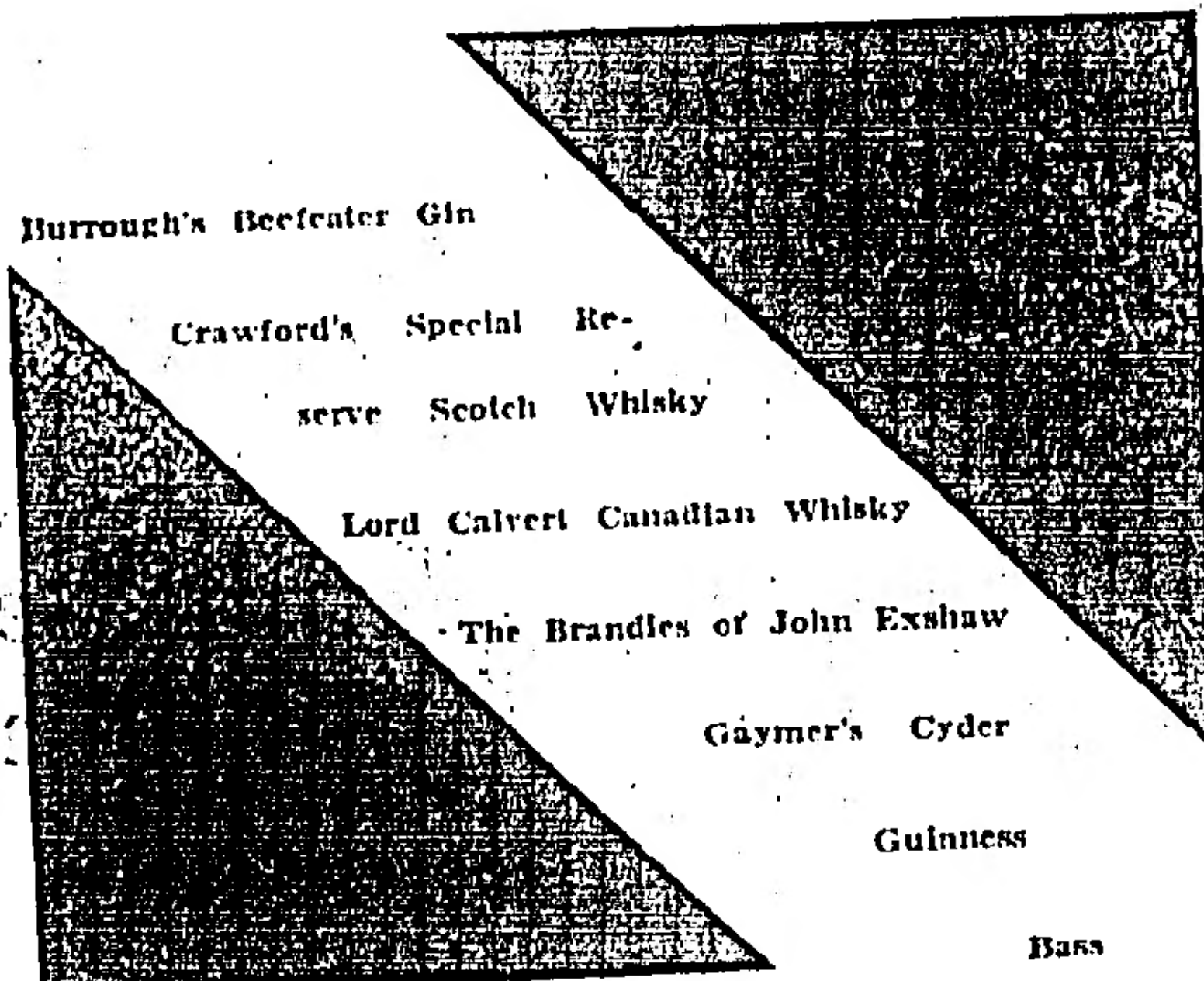
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The only dog
of its kind
in England

MOST unusual dog appearing at the Kennel Club show in the Grand Hall, Olympia, on October 14 and 15 will be the Leonburger, the only dog of its kind in England.

There are a record number of entries in some of the classes in the show—which used to be famed as Cruft's Dog Show—and is being held for the first time for five years.

The Leonburger, in the class for "unusual dogs," is one of a golden retriever variety.

His name is Golden Sunset, and he is owned by Mr D. T. Gower, of Anstey-road, Alton, Hampshire. This kind of dog, which stands about 27 inches at the shoulder and weighs about 100 lb., is used in Flanders to pull "draught" carts, or milk floats. It is descended from St Bernards and Newfoundlands.

Mr E. Holliday, secretary of the Kennel Club and of the show, said: "This is the first time on re-

LEONBURGER
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cord such a dog has been exhibited at 'Crufts,' as far as we can find from the records.

"There is a grand entry in the various classes there are 4,200 dogs. The Cocker Spaniel class has a record entry of 200, and there are 200 Aisians. Among the other unusual classes are Norwegian Buhunds, Maremmas, which are Italian sheep dogs, Tibetan mastiffs, and soft-coated Wheaten terriers, a very little-known English breed."

MAKE IT
A PICKLE

By GEORGIE RODGERS

PICKLING is a good method of "using up" surplus garden produce. Since many of the vegetables are cut up or minced it is possible to use those that are not perfect to shape.

It is best to use an enamel-lined saucepan and glass pickle jars. For sealing, ordinary jam pot covers are not sufficient to prevent the evaporation of moisture; you should use caps that have a cardboard disc inside to prevent contamination with the metal, or parchment paper or skin.

Use a good quality malt vinegar for pickling vegetables. Cider vinegar may be used for pickling fruits.

Spiced Vinegar For Pickling

1 quart vinegar, ¼ oz. cinnamon bark, ¼ oz. cloves, ¼ oz. mace, ¼ oz. allspice, ¼ oz. peppercorns, a few chillies, ginger, or garlic to taste.

To prepare the spiced vinegar, tie all the spices in a piece of muslin and add to the vinegar. Bring to the boil, then remove from the stove and infuse for an hour. Remove the spice and use as required.

Pickled Walnuts

Green walnuts, spiced vinegar, ¼ lb. salt, 4 pts. water.

GATHER the walnuts before the shells begin to form, and prick them with a darning needle right through the centre. Put the walnuts into a basin and cover with brine made by dissolving the salt in water. Leave for several days, then throw away the brine and soak the nuts for another week. Drain off the brine and spread the nuts out in the air for 24 hours until they become black. Pack the walnuts in jars and cover well with spiced vinegar. Cover and tie down securely and leave for at least two months before use.

Pickled Cabbage

REMOVE the tough outer leaves of the cabbage and cut the rest into fine shreds. Spread out on a large dish or enamel tray and spread liberally with salt. Leave for 24 hours, then pour off all the liquid and pack the cabbage in jars. Cover with cold spiced vinegar and leave for 10 days before using. Red cabbage does not keep well, longer than three months as it loses its crispness.

Glamour Has A
Night Out

AMONG the stars at London's glamour high spot of the year—the Daily Express Film Ball—were Mons, escorted by Stewart Granger; exotically gowned Valerie Hobson, right, in a three-tiered satin dress with shoulder roses; and, below, Edana Romney in crinoline gown with feather cape.

Oil Paint For
The Home

By ELEANOR ROSS

A FAMOUS decorating firm in America recently created three interiors to show how oil paint could be handled and used to create all sorts of clever and expensive-looking backgrounds, making it simulate panelling, marble and wallpaper in the home.

The living room decoration, modern and functional, is the sort of thing that sophisticated city children adore. A vibrant green is used for one wall, while the opposite wall was done in an interesting straw colour.

In the small dining room the paint is used for a most attractive panel job. The flaxen yellow panels are framed with off-white borders in a modified Baroque form that is charming. The paint job combines the flaxen yellow, a soft gray, cream and off-white in a clever marbled-like effect. This is complemented by a linoleum floor on which the paint in black, achieves the effect of expensive inlaid linoleum at a fraction of the cost. The ceiling is painted yellow and white, and the whole thing looks like a most expensive panelling job. The door is fluted with painted mouldings forming panels of pastel blue on off-white.

Most intriguing was the idea of painting one's own wallpaper with this new paint. If one wears for angels, windmills, wooden shoes, rare birds or flowers, it is suggested that one make a stencil pattern, apply it to the wall and paint it in with the greatest of ease. Complete washability, plus one's own pet design really does add up to something in the way of wall covering.

Household Hint

To remove rust stain from a white cotton garment, stretch the stained part over a pan of boiling water and squeeze lemon juice on it. Repeat after a few minutes. This is rather a slow method, but it will not harm delicate cottons and linens. You might also try sprinkling the stain with salt, then squeezing lemon juice on it and putting it in the sun. Add more juice if the stain remains. Rust-removing soap may be used.

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Ting-a-Ling Spins a Yarn

—It's About a Tree, a Dandelion, an Ivy Vine—

By MAX TRELL

TING-A-LING smiled at Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names. "Did I ever tell you," he said, "the story about Dandelion, Oak Tree and Ivy?"

Knarf and Hanid said they never heard the story and they wished very much that Ting-a-Ling would tell it to them.

"Well," began Ting-a-Ling, "once upon a time, near a beautiful garden wall grew an Oak Tree. It was a very old and sturdy tree and its head and arms (or branches, if you will) spread high over the wall. On the wall itself hung a green and beautiful Ivy. In its way, Ivy was somewhat like a tree, except instead of being full and round, it was flat. It was quite old, too, and it stretched itself pleasantly all over the wall, and all along the top.

Tiny Dandelion

"Now, at the bottom of the wall, under the Oak Tree and under the Ivy, grew a tiny Dandelion. And because Oak Tree and Ivy and Dandelion all grew so close together, they soon grew to be the closest of friends. But poor Dandelion was not happy."

"Why not?" Knarf and Hanid both asked.

"Well," said Ting-a-Ling, "she was unhappy for a very simple reason. All summer long, whenever the breezes blew, Dandelion heard Oak Tree whispering to Ivy and Ivy whispering back to Oak Tree and she wondered what they were whispering about. Then one day she asked them.

"On the other side of the garden wall, Dandelion, said the Oak Tree, 'there are the most beautiful flowers. Every year there are new ones. They sit in clusters and rows, nodding their heads and I whisper to Ivy to say how pretty they are.'

"Yes," said Ivy, 'that's what we whisper about. And it's a great pity that you aren't tall enough to look over the garden wall and see them, too.'

"Poor Dandelion," Ting-a-Ling went on. "She stood tip-toe—stretching her stem—craning her little head with its yellow bonnet. But try as she would, she couldn't

Heavy Ankles? Get Slim Ones



In selecting shoes, try to choose a pair that are not only comfortable but which will also make your ankles look slim.

By HELEN FOLLETT

SOMEONE once said pretty ankles are more important than pretty hair. Maybe so. But why not have both? It is possible. What can be achieved with even an ordinary thicket of tresses, no matter what the quality, quantity, or colour, would not have been believed fifty years ago. As for ankles, the recipe for having pretty, slim ones is simple enough: be on your toes!

Letting the body take on tonnage, getting into the habit of plodding, just pushing along, is bound to result in fattened calves as well as thick ankles. Every woman should be a weight watcher. Any woman with even half a will can regulate her diet so that fat cells are starved away. If she keeps on feeding herself sweets and starches, butter and cream, she should realise that she is feeding fat cells and that they will multiply.

Walking tip-toe will normalise the ankles, be they fat or be they thin. Another simple exercise: place the hands on the hips. Straighten up your backbone, lift your chest.

Have your feet fifteen inches apart. Turn the heels outward, then inward. After ten steps, point toes straight ahead and rest. Then at it again.

Lie down on the floor flat on your back, hands under the hips. Lift your feet high, move them as if you were pedalling a bicycle. No casual, lazy movements. Use your muscles.

Massage will reduce fattened ankles if it is heavy enough. Anoint the hands with lanolin or a massage emollient that offers resistance to the movements of the fingers. Form a bracelet of the fingers of each hand, span them around the ankle, move them in opposite directions with heavy, deep pressure.

After fifteen minutes of this treatment, scour the flesh with moistened salt. Rinse and dry briskly.

The right shoes are important, too. If ankles are thick, don't call attention to them with unusual shoes. For general wear, choose shoes with flexible leather soles.

Why Baseballs
Should Be
Alike

By JULIA W. WOLFE

NO record of human events tells who discovered the ball as a playing. Perhaps some primeval ancestor noticed that a peculiarly shaped stone pushed by a wave up a smooth and somewhat sloping rock rolled back again, until stopped by some natural obstacle.

In recent years competitive athletics demanded balls of uniform size, weight and resilience, upon which records could be based. Little attention was given in the past to the design of balls. The official league baseball and the present century arrived almost at the same time.

The popularity of baseball depends largely upon the uniformity of the balls used. Variations of elasticity, size and weight would result in misjudged distances and too many errors in play. Moreover, if a new ball was required to replace one lost or worn out during a game, there might be an advantage or loss to one side because of the difference between the old ball and the new one.

In days gone by, balls were wound by hand. The cores were rubber, leather, paper, wood or other material, according to whether it was desired that the ball should be "alive," or very elastic, or "dead," with as little bounce as possible.

Wet worsted yarn was wound upon the core by hand, in the same manner that has been used for thousands of years. But the winding of a baseball was much tighter because the ball must be hard.

Like any other handmade product, the absence of mechanical accuracy made it necessary that the cover of nearly every ball should be cut and fitted separately.

(More Tomorrow)

Rupert & Mr Punch—7

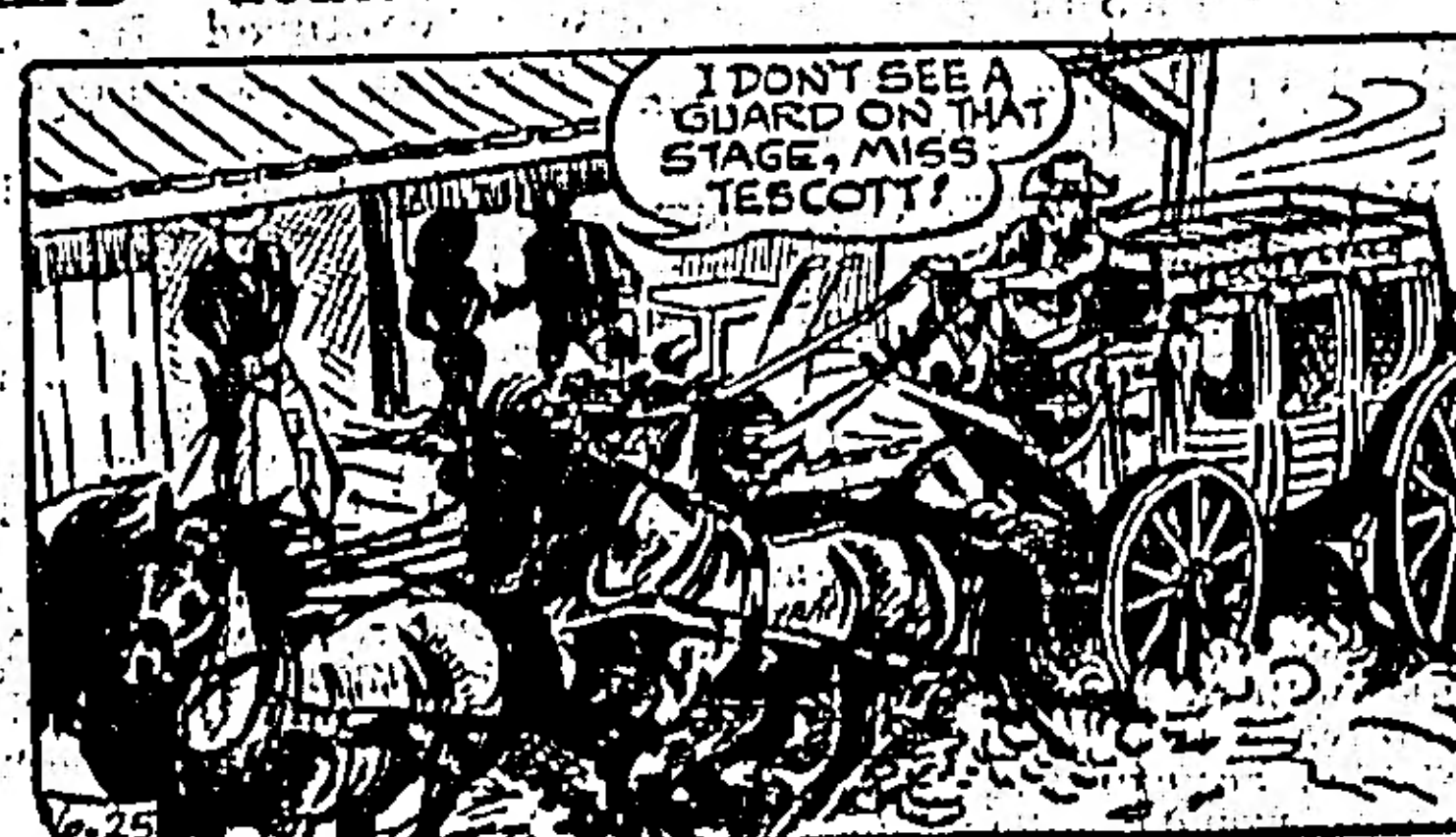


"The walk to Sailor Sam's shack is long, one, and even Rupert is pulling, while Algy is quite out of breath when they arrive. They find Sam sitting and carving the hull of a toy boat. 'Well, you two do get some bright ideas,' he laughs when he hears why they have come. 'I don't keep any fishing nets here that would do for your hammock, but you can come with me to Sandy Bay this afternoon if you like, and then we can ask my old friend, Captain Barnacle.'

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By Fred Harman

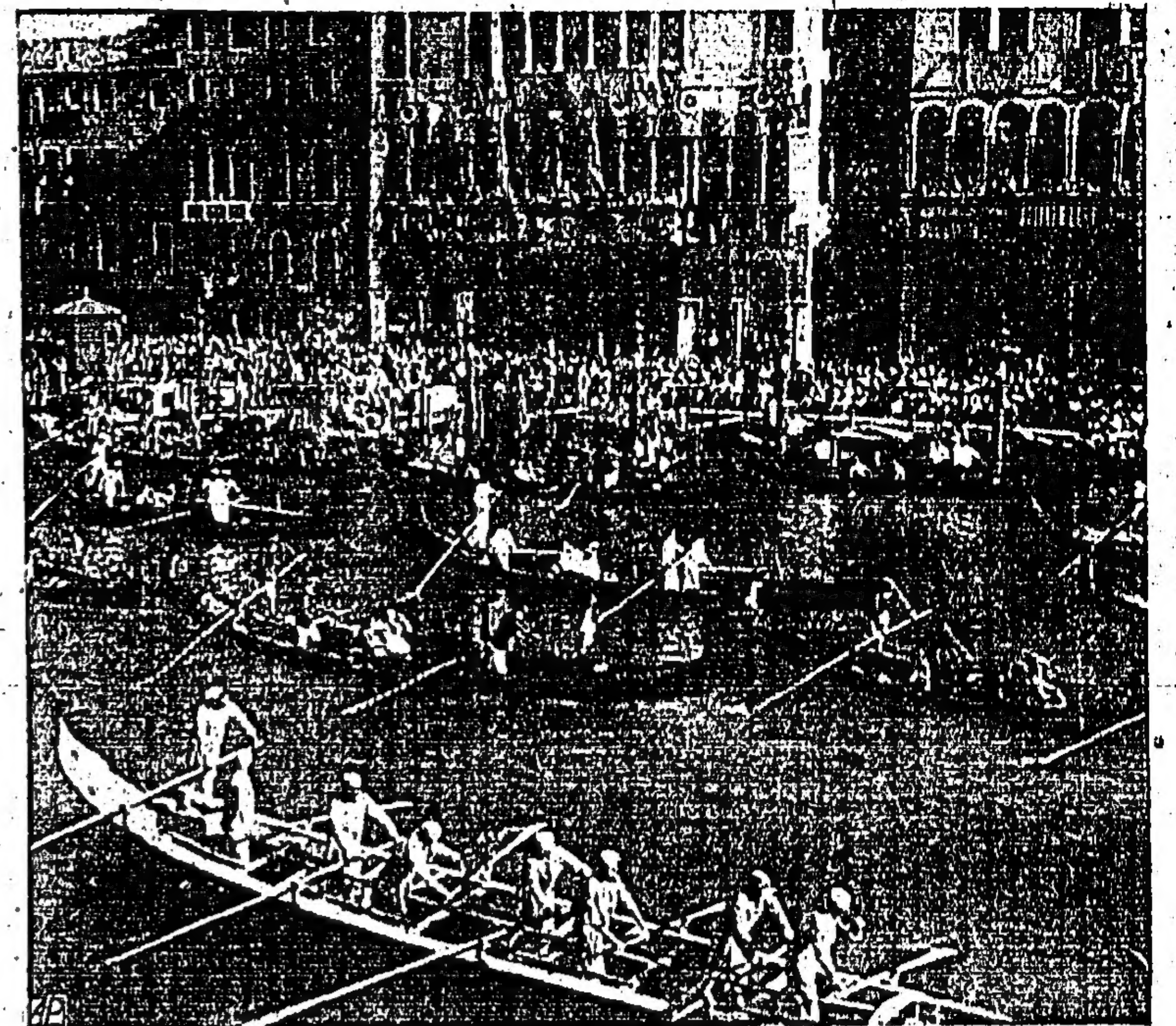
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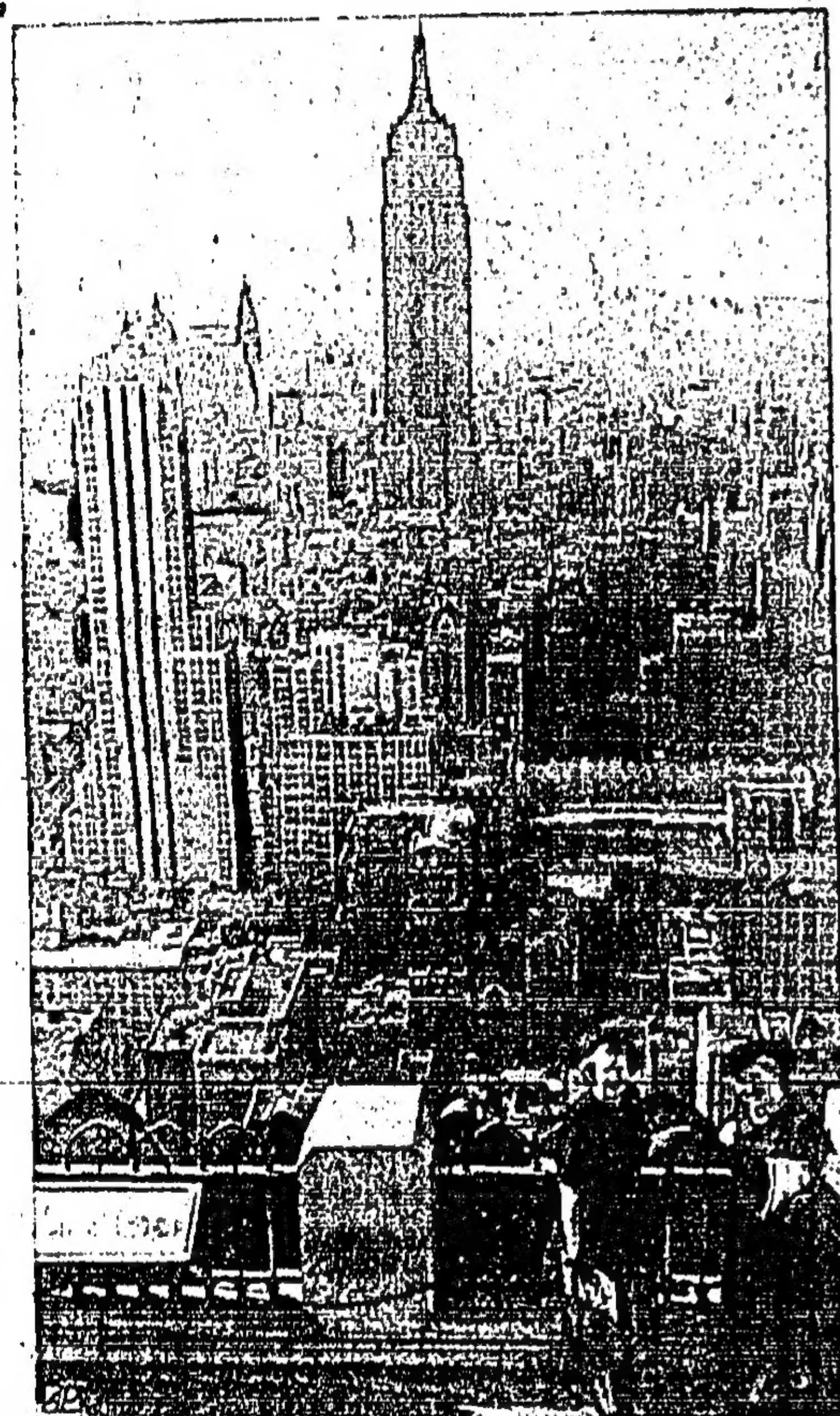
'HOLY NIGHT' IN ITALY—Half a million Italians, tourists and members of the Catholic Action jam St Peter's Square in Rome at a 'Holy Night.' The event was part of the 80th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Young Men of Catholic Action.



UPSET—Sherry Kay Chinn, two years old, was upset when this hufful of pheasant chicks, first of 10,000 being hatched in a Yakima, Washington, game farm, was placed in her lap.



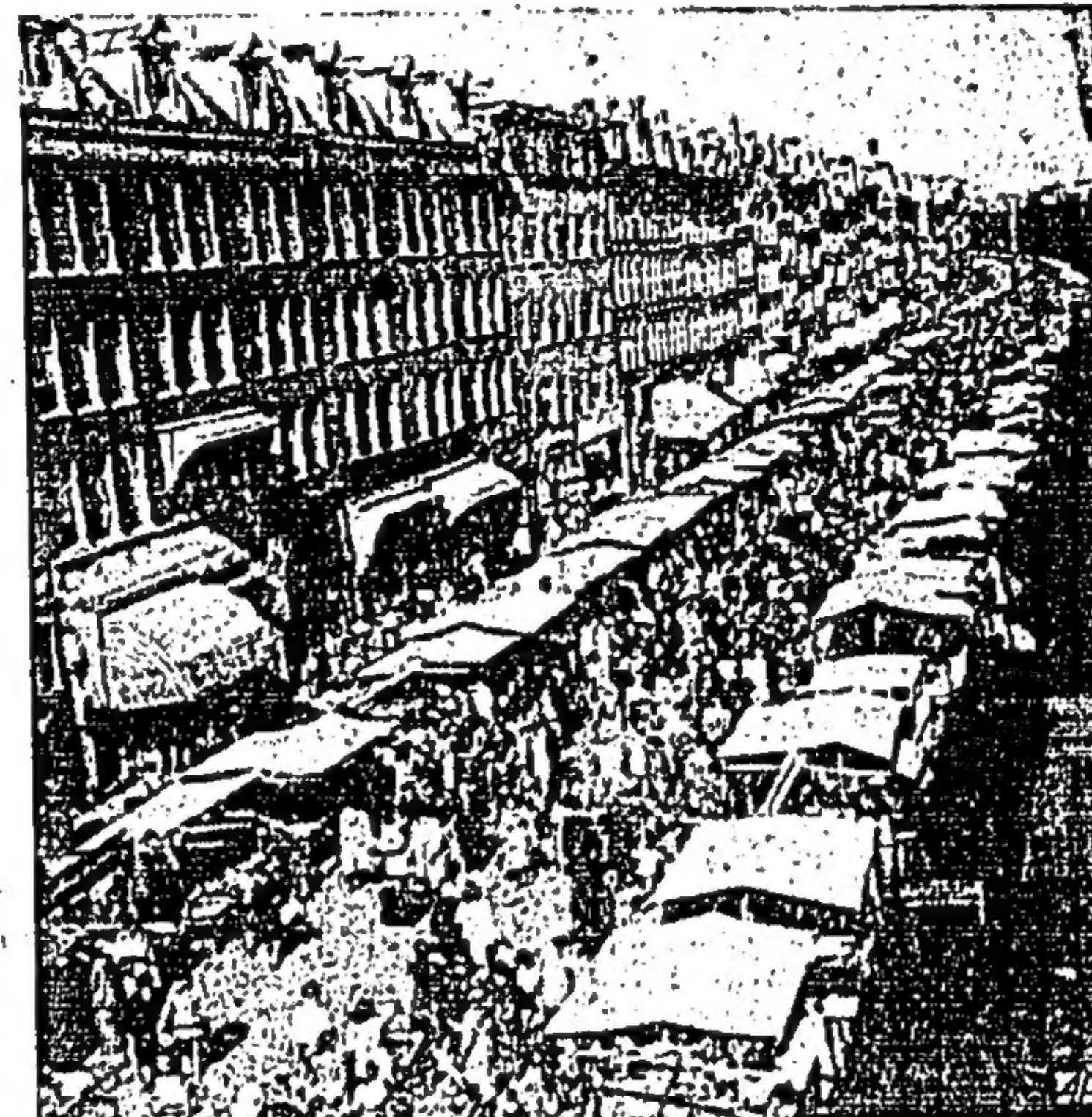
REGATTA IN VENICE—This parade of gondolas, filling the Grand Canal in Venice in front of the city hall (centre background) was seen during the annual regatta. Hundreds lined the banks to watch the race.



NEW YORK VIEW—A view of the concrete piles and canyons of New York City, taken recently from the observation tower of the RCA Building.



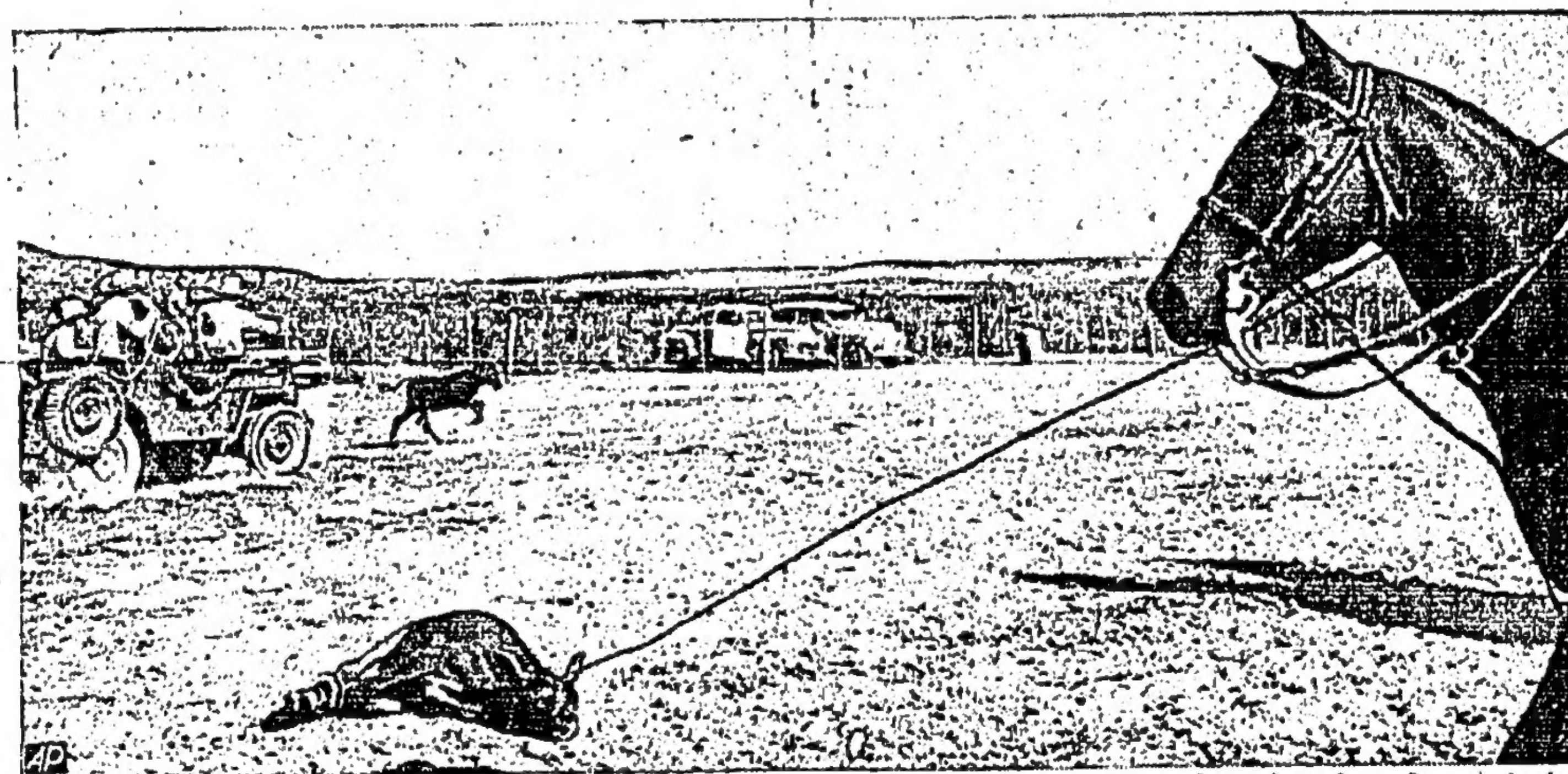
SENATOR — Margaret Chase Smith, new U.S. Senator from Maine, is the first woman Republican thus honoured.



MARKET IN HOLLAND—Business is booming in the open air "Albert Cuyp" market in Amsterdam, where a large variety of articles are bought and sold. The market started in 1945.



MRS DEWEY—A recent portrait of Mrs Thomas E. Dewey, wife of the U.S. Republican Presidential candidate.



OLD AND NEW—While the rider at right holds on to the calf he has roped, cowboys in a jeep demonstrate a newer technique as they go after another during a roping exhibition at Big Lake, Texas.



BIG STRIPER—James J. Sullivan of Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, with the 55 pound, 3 ounce striped bass he caught off Martha's Vineyard Island on a trolled eelskin.

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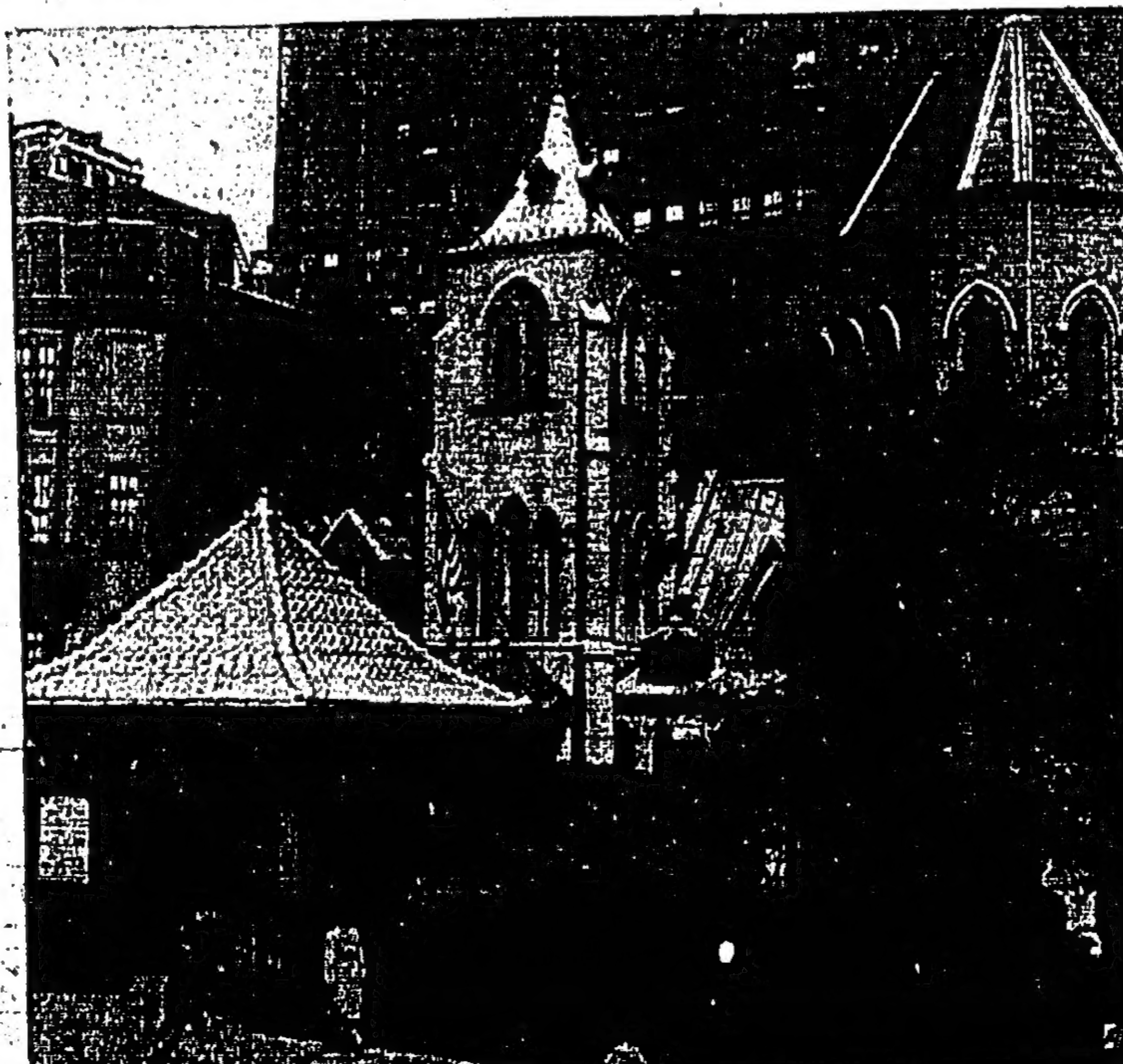
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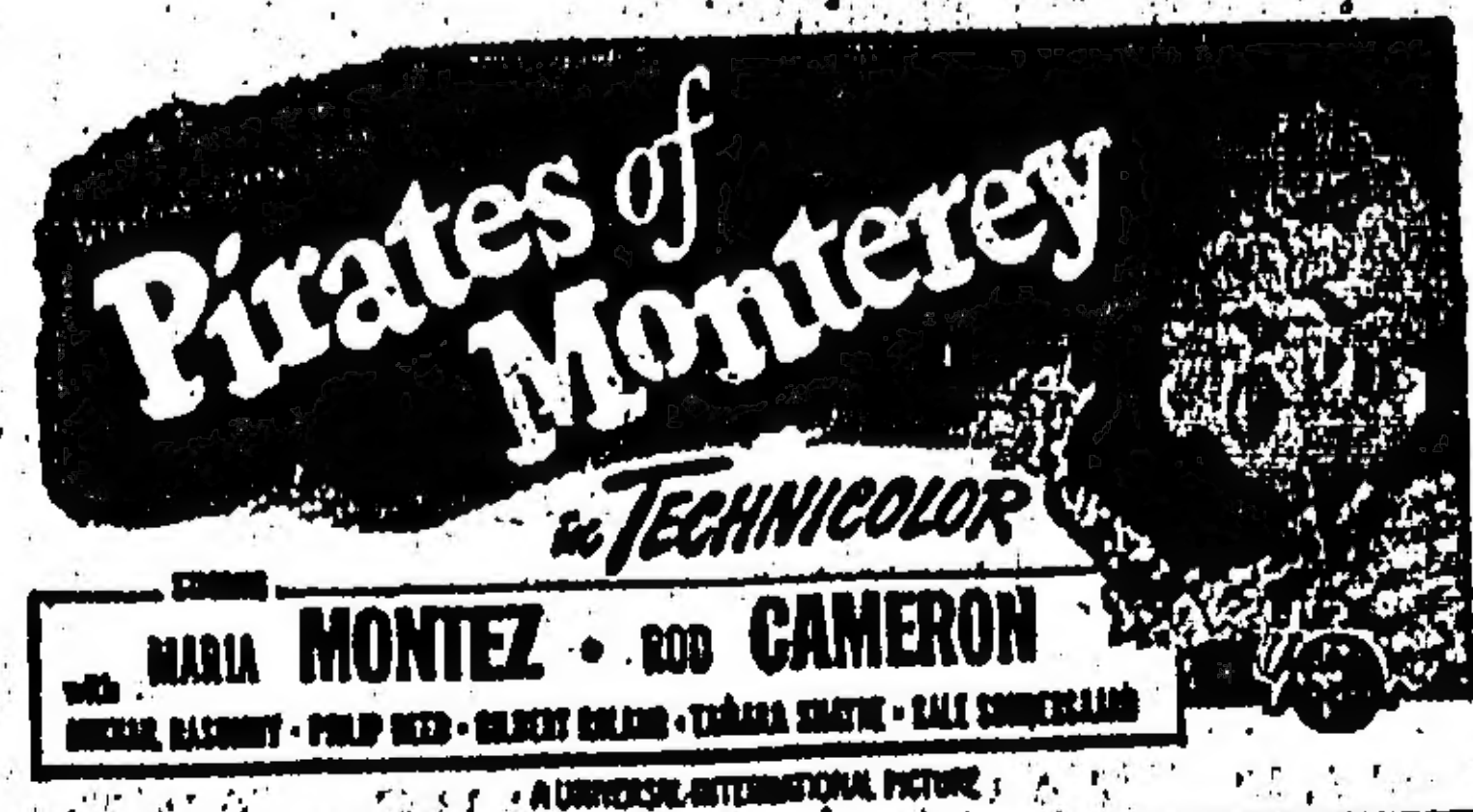
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AMERICA AS WORLD-POWER 1

Her strength and stresses...

WASHINGTON. I ASKED a friend of mine who is a colonel in United States Army Intelligence what would have happened if war with Russia had come during the "spring crisis" last March, or if it should come now over the Berlin siege. He answered: "If it had come in March the west would probably have won in the long run; I believe we could just about have turned the trick. But if we can get our plans successfully translated into men, machines, and bases; if we get some lucky breaks; not too many rows between the Services or between America and the Western European Union, then I think we shall be strong enough to deter anyone from attacking us now." "And if the attack should come later all the same?"

"We could, I believe, beat them fairly quickly and at not too great a cost in lives and treasure for the West."

The colonel, in speaking of inter-service quarrels, had put his finger on one of the great weaknesses of America's military situation.

Bitterness, jealousy, and "the other fellow be damned, my service right or wrong" attitude between the United States Army, Navy, and Air Force chiefs have prevailed to an extent unheard-of in other countries.

The bickering has continued while America spends billions for possible war, seeks foreign bases from which her bombers may some day pulverise Russian production centres, and launches the biggest peacetime arms drive in her history.

Behind the scenes

A YEAR ago America's armed Services were officially "unified" by an Act of Congress, and the public were relieved to think that streamlining was a fact and that quarrels were stilled at last. But, behind the scenes, quarrels raged as fiercely as ever.

The Navy and Air Force especially were at each other's throats, and in Secretary for Air Stuart Symington, Defence Secretary Forrestal has a tough, uncompromising man. Though nominally his junior, Symington has more than once flouted Forrestal's wishes openly.

Lately things have improved. There is agreement in principle on strategic policy, and the Navy-Air Force feud is at least quiescent.

Elsewhere in Washington there have been bitter quarrels, and these in one of the most vital and most sensitive spots of America's entire war security machine—Intelligence.

Naturally, not much leaks out on this matter, but United States Intelligence since the end of the war has been one of the most glaring of her military weaknesses.

A dreary story

AFTER the war Colonel "Bull" Donovan's Office of Strategic Services was dissolved and a Central Intelligence Agency took its place.

The history of the C.I.A. has been a dreary story of rows with the State Department, with the F.B.I., with the Intelligence Services of the armed forces, with the Atomic Energy Commission.

But, as angry voices are heard at these high levels, huge, bustling, traditionally peaceable America moves with astonishingly little fuss into the business of rearming.

THE OUTLOOK HERE AND NOW By R. M. MacColl

I believe that, emotionally, most Americans, though passionately hating war, are ready for it—if it has to be.

What of America's fighting qualities? Hanson Baldwin, America's foremost military critic and now sitting on a Government committee designed to streamline the armed Services, wrote this:—

"Americans like to gloss over or conceal their weakness, but we did not have in the bulk the stomach for fighting or the heart for fighting possessed by our enemies, or possessed, for that matter, by many Russians."

The U. S. Army

THE military forces into which young "draftees" are due to be absorbed are today far smaller than United States chiefs consider even remotely proper for the nation's security. But they are beginning to expand, and potentially they are the most formidable in history.

The Army wants 25 divisions as a minimum including territorial, and better middle-rank officers and N.C.O.s.

This is how the Services shape up for the coming year:—

	Present strength July 1, 1947	Strength July 1, 1949
Army	548,000	700,000
Navy	380,070	434,075
Marines	11,723	39,225
Air Force	302,000	444,500

Totals 1,400,793 1,758,400

There is, now almost complete agreement among the war chiefs that the Air Force must be America's sharp spear in another war, and it is to be expanded to 70 groups, 25 of them jet-propelled fighter groups, and 26 groups of mainly jet-propelled bombers.

There will be a first-line bomber force of 900 Superfortresses to be replaced later by a new type.

20,000 planes

A TOTAL force of 20,450 planes, of which 8,000 would be operational (including transports) and the remainder for Air Reserve and Air National Guard (Territorial), is the goal. The Navy would have 14,500 planes of its own.

The Air Force wants a minimum of 5,200 planes a year from American factories in the next few years.

The Navy, too, is building prototypes of experimental ships. The bare announcement was made last month that an "anti-submarine submarine" is being built, but all the Navy Department will reveal is that she is small, fast, and highly manoeuvrable.

Next year the Navy starts on more "anti-submarine submarines" which are certainly intended as an answer to the Russian-adapted German-designed Schnorkels, hitherto regarded as undetectable by radar. But I understand that the Americans

BEGINNING with RUSSIA, followed last week by BRITAIN, the Hongkong Telegraph now continues its examination of the strength and stresses among the main world Powers with the first of a two-part SURVEY OF AMERICA. Once again the same plan of research and high-level investigation has been followed. Today's report is divided into two sections—one, the on-the-spot story from Washington; two, the work that shapes the future, by Chapman Pincher, who has had special opportunities for studying U.S. long-range armament plans THIS PAGE tomorrow:—"CROSS-CURRENTS" round the WHITE HOUSE."

are on the point of developing radar that can pick up a Schnorkel. America's own military problems and tasks are heavy enough but the circumstances of history in the past two years have placed her in a position of almost certainly having to rearm and re-equip Western Europe. She must make the present 14 or 15 rather sketchy divisions of West Europe (some of the French are very badly equipped) to a minimal of 45 strong motorised attack divisions, capable of holding even the swarming Red Army on the line of the Rhine in a show-down.

But America does not possess a big surplus of World War II arms, and what she has is most unbalanced. In a total war America would range only 145,000,000 people against Russia's 190,000,000. Experts calculate that by 1972 the populations will have grown to 160,000,000 and 250,000,000 respectively.

But more than offsetting this unbalance of manpower is America's colossal industrial strength, backed by a virtual sufficiency of home-grown food.

America's factories turn out nearly half the world's entire industrial production. Her transformers and generators account for half the world's power. As against that she is short of some of the raw material needed in modern war.

American genius is seen at its most inspired when engaged in some

enormous industrial enterprise, with floods of machines pouring off the assembly lines. But even in this field there are weaknesses. One of the most marked in the mercantile marine. As in the period after the 1914-18 war, America's merchant fleet shows signs of a serious decline.

Summing up

SUMMING up America's military and economic position the main stresses are:—

1. Poor Intelligence;
2. Inter-Service dissension;
3. Lack of leadership at the middle-officer and N.C.O. level;
4. Shortage of the "new" raw materials and possible interruption of their supply in wartime; and
5. The burden of rearming and re-equipping Western Europe as well as the United States.

The main strengths are:—
1. The A-bomb;
2. A powerful air fleet, soon to grow bigger;
3. Excellent progress in jet-propulsion;
4. Unmatched industrial strength and transport facilities; and
5. Self-sufficiency in food.
Plus one other factor: This time America is fully and coldly awake to the realities and dangers of a brittle world.

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THE RESEARCH FOR 5 YEARS AHEAD by Chapman Pincher

Atom bombs first—and then Germs

IN research on the four main destruction weapons which must dominate any future conflict the U.S. easily leads the world. The atom bomb still rates as deterrent No. 1. But running it close is the germ bomb—now an immediately operational weapon. These are the facts which are shaping the power of U.S. defence in the critical years ahead:—

1.—Atomics

AMERICA has a stockpile of about 400 atom-bomb cores of the Mark II, type used at Nagasaki. Large-scale production of a more powerful Mark—recently tested in the Pacific—will be stepped up shortly when new construction work at the Hanford, Washington, State, explosives plant is completed. Total target figure is said to be 1,000 cores by 1950.

Most are earmarked for the Air Force. The rest will go to the Navy for charging atomic mines. (Senator Brian McMahon, of the U.S. Senate Atomic Committee, told me naval scientists calculated that a deep-water detonation—3,000 feet down—would open the seams of the strongest warships over a considerable area.)

In addition the U.S. uranium furnaces are a potential source of huge quantities of radioactive waste products—the so-called "death dust." Sprayed from low-flying aircraft it could cause widespread sickness among civil populations.

Since dust dangerous for only a few days can be manufactured it would be possible to demoralise a city's inhabitants and then drop airborne forces after the dust had lost its power.

2.—Germ Bombs

FOLLOWING three years high-pressure research, experimental units of the U.S. Air Force are being equipped with the world's first operational germ weapon.

Called the Biological Bomb Mark I, it is a cluster of thin tubes, each charged with a virulent germ culture. Caseloaded over the target they explode, scattering the germs—most of which survive the blast—as a fine mist.

Tests with dummy fillings have shown that one bomb could infect at least 1,000 people if dropped over a built-up area.

The U.S. General Staff stipulated that germs which do not easily cause epidemics should be chosen for bomb fillings, as uncontrollable outbreaks would delay occupation by ground forces.

Pilot plants to mass-produce the fillings have been built at Camp Detrick, Maryland.

In step with this work, plant for the large-scale production of vaccines to immunise troops has been devised.

Germ bombs are easier and cheaper to make than atom bombs. And because their effects can be localised they can be used in field warfare.

3.—Guided Missiles

HELPED by German rocket scientists headed by V2 inventor Werner von Braun, the U.S. has made great strides towards mastering the problems of guiding super-speed missiles to specific targets.

Successful projects include an A.A. rocket which rides a beam locked to an aircraft target; a short-to-ship anti-invasion missile; an anti-bomber rocket to be carried by fighter aircraft. Projects under development include an improved V2, capable of carrying 3,000 lb. of TNT for 500 miles and intended for bombardment of land targets from ships.

The ultimate aim—a guided rocket to carry the atom bomb—is considered impracticable for at least ten years.

4.—Gases

U.S. ARMY chemists have improved the battle possibilities of the German poison gas Sarin, which is 1,000 times more effective than mustard gas.

Colourless, with no smell, it would look like rain if sprayed from low-flying aircraft.

The German pilot plant which manufactured Sarin is now controlled by Russia. But the U.S. has the bulk of the technicians who operated it.



HOW HEATHEN IS BRITAIN?

By SYDNEY REDWOOD

NEARLY 50 percent of young Englishmen today are pagan or semi-pagan, and most of the nominal Christians have no more than a half-hearted unsatisfactory type of faith, and are incapable of saying why they believe as much as they do.

This is the conclusion arrived at by B. G. Sandhurst after lecturing to well over 5,000 Army cadets in the past two years. His audience were young men aged between 18 and 22, the majority drawn from public and secondary schools, with a sprinkling of older men from the ranks or Dominions.

Mr Sandhurst, who is neither a professional teacher nor a clergyman, has recorded his experiences in a "How Heathen is Britain?" published by Collins. His mission was to discuss postwar problems, and before taking up the appointment he made it clear that he would put over the principle of the Christian social order and make that the touchstone by which to judge the innumerable plans now before the bemused citizen.

But after a few weeks he came to the conclusion that there were so few Christians in his classes that it was a waste of time to talk of the Christian social order without preparing the ground beforehand by giving the evidence on behalf of Christianity. For eight or nine months, he wrote, I saw no reason to alter my melancholy conclusion that Christians were in a tiny minority, and that materialism was firmly entrenched. It was not that the boys lacked interest or were in any way hostile, but during discussions it was the exception for anyone to back up the Christian argument.

MERE ANIMALS

HE learned that among this cross-section of the educated youth of Britain there was a steady minority of over one-third who denied that they were anything more than animals, and about the same number who denied the existence of any known permanent standard of conduct. He wrote: "I saw no reason to alter my melancholy conclusion that Christians were in a tiny minority, and that materialism was firmly entrenched. It was not that the boys lacked interest or were in any way hostile, but during discussions it was the exception for anyone to back up the Christian argument."

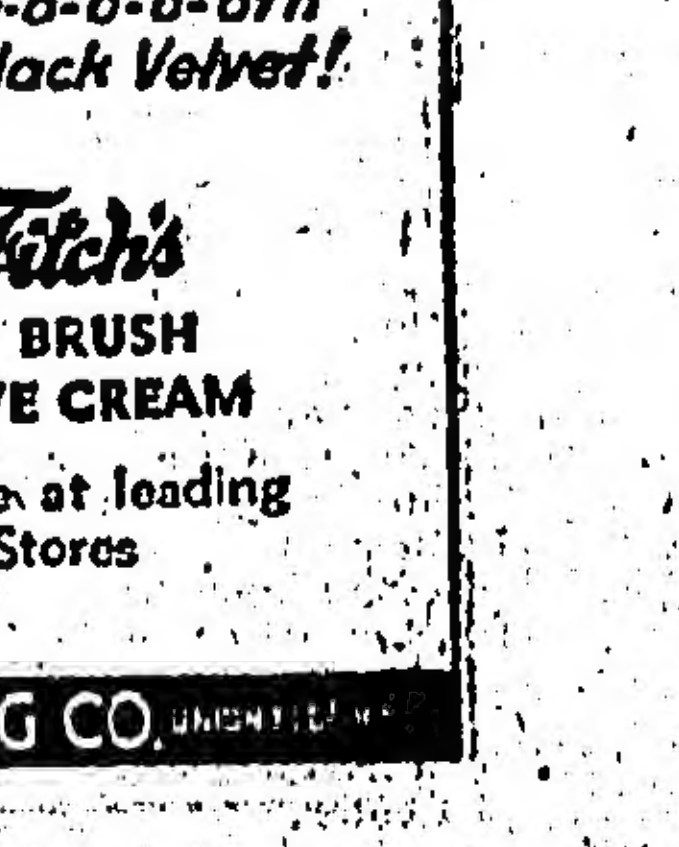
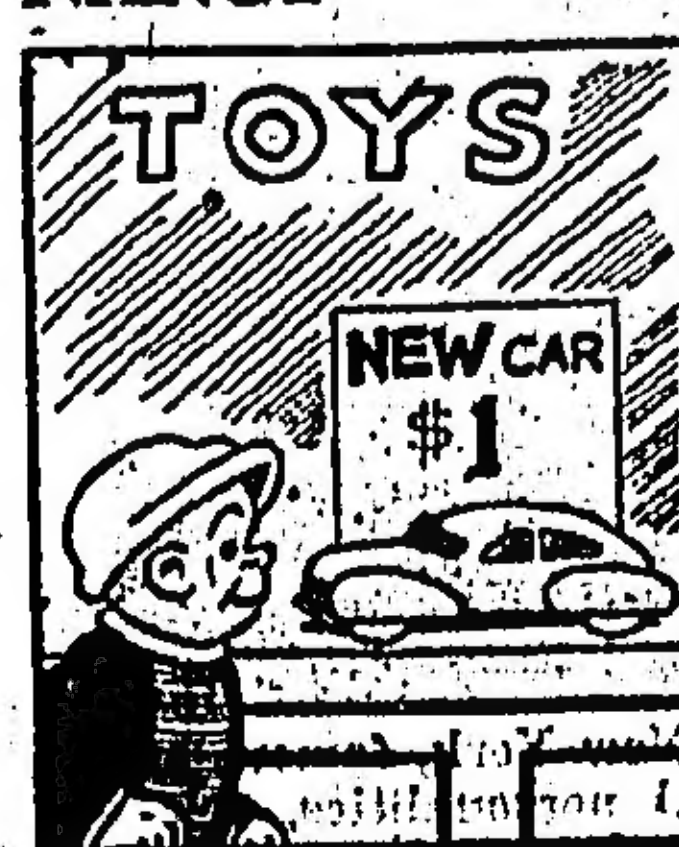
For this state of affairs, Mr Sandhurst, who received some 3,000 replies to a questionnaire he prepared on Gallup poll lines, blames the methods of religious instruction in schools.

Often enough, he remarks, a lad has been brought up by Christian parents, "but as soon as he begins to think 'he comes conscious of a contradiction between the atmosphere of a science form and that of the 'scripture class', and if, as is only too often the case, it is literally a scripture class and nothing else (where little or no attempt is made to show that what is being read is important or even true), the boy begins to doubt. As he grows older and considers the vast game of animal grab now bringing us to the brink of destruction, his doubts are confirmed, and his faith is lost through the sheer inefficiency of his masters. It is they who have made God's revelation appear as a boring and outworn lie, and a badly told lie at that."

WIDESPREAD NEGLECT

SCHOOLMASTERS are accused of surveying "morality tinged with emotion," of widespread neglect and inefficiency, which would not be tolerated for a moment in the teaching of any other subject, and of lacking the capacity of putting Christianity in its proper setting—that of a sane and living philosophy. "Thirty years ago," Mr Sandhurst adds, "religion was taken for granted, and any attempt to reason about it would have been considered indecent. Ten years ago I believe that the nominal Christians would have been bored and the sceptics hostile and contemptuous. Today the whole situation has changed. The horrors of this war have completed the work of disintegration begun in 1914. All certainty as to the existence of moral standards has gone. The persistent neglect and denial of Christian dogma has been followed by the destruction of the principles which derive from it, and from it alone."

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INTERPORT SWIMMERS WILL BE SELECTED TODAY

The Colony Interport Swimming Team to meet Manila in the two-day meet on Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16, will be picked this evening at a Selection Committee Meeting to be held at the Victoria Recreation Club.

The selectors will be Mr. A. de O. Sales and Mr. B. H. Rasmussen, representing the Victoria Recreation Club, Mr. H. J. Clarke, representing the Services, Mr. Eric Ho, representing the University, and Messrs. Wu Cho-kin, of the Eastern Athletic Association, and C. K. Chung, of the Chinese YMCA, representing the Chinese clubs.

There are to be 18 events to be contested on Friday afternoon and Saturday night.

The Men's Events will be the 100, 220, 440 and 880 Yards Free Style, the 100 and 220 Yards Back Stroke, the 100 and 220 Yards Breast Stroke, the 200 Yards Medley and the 400 Yards Free Style Relay.

The Women's Events will be the 100 and 220 Yards Free Style, the 100 and 220 Yards Back Stroke, the 100 and 220 Yards Breast Stroke, the 200 Yards Medley and the 400 Yards Free Style Relay.

THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Championships concluded on Saturday with the Rose setting two more Colony records. Though the 440 yards was a free-style event, she elected, as promised, to swim it back stroke and broke the Colony record with a 6 mins. 20

seconds performance, dragging the record-holder, Monica Leung, along with her to a performance that surpassed the old mark.

Lucille's time in the 100 yards back stroke was just short of sensational, breaking the old record by nearly eight seconds. Her 70.0 performance is not too far off Cathie Gibson's 70.4 for the British record.

For Kint of the Netherlands holds the world mark at 65.1.

A feature of the evening was Shauna Anderson's swimming first leg for the King George V School relay team, an example of feminine aid in a male event that compares with Fanny Blankers-Koen representing the male side of her club in athletic events in Holland.

The evening started inauspiciously with neither George Saunders nor Gerry Roza-Perella being able to better the standing records in the 50 yards free style and the 100 yards breast stroke respectively, though both were considered capable of bettering the old marks.

Shauna Anderson who looked for a few odd seconds as about to be beaten by her sister Heather, failed to touch her heat mark in the 50 yards free style final.

Colony Championship Summaries

MEN'S EVENTS

50 Yards Free Style

1. George Saunders (VRC) 25.2

2. F. Monteiro (VRC) 26.0

3. Cheong Wai-lam (Eastern) 26.0

100 Yards Free Style

1. F. Monteiro (VRC) 57.0

2. Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun) 57.2

3. G. Roza-Perella (VRC) 57.2

220 Yards Free Style

1. Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun) 2:27.2

2. F. Monteiro (VRC) 2:29.2

3. Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun) 2:30.2

440 Yards Free Style

1. Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun) 5:20.0

2. F. Monteiro (VRC) 5:31.4

3. Cheong Kin-man (Eastern) 5:34.4

880 Yards Free Style

1. Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun) 11:14.0

2. Wong Kam-wah (Lai Tsun) 11:38.0

3. F. Monteiro (VRC) 12:05.2

100 Yards Back Stroke

1. A. V. Lopes (VRC) 1:52.6

2. Cheong Wai-lam (Eastern) 1:52.8

3. A. K. Rungjahn (VRC) 2:01.2

100 Yards Breast Stroke

1. Gerry Roza-Perella (VRC) 2:10.0

2. Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun) 2:12.0

3. Chan Chun-nam (YMCA) 2:12.0

200 Yards Breast Stroke

1. Leung Hin-kin (Lai Tsun) 4:41.0

2. J. Yvanovich (VRC) 4:44.0

3. Cheong Chung-yul (Chinese YMCA) 4:49.0

150 Yards Medley

1. W. Lawrence (VRC) 1:46.0

2. Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun) 1:47.4

3. A. V. Lopes (VRC)

WOMEN'S EVENTS

50 Yards Free Style

1. Shauna Anderson (VRC) 30.4

2. Heather Anderson (VRC) 30.8

3. Wong Yuen-jing (Chinese YMCA) 31.8

100 Yards Free Style

1. Shauna Anderson (VRC) 70.6

2. Heather Anderson (VRC) 71.6

3. Leung Oi-mul (University) 73.0

220 Yards Free Style

1. Shauna Anderson (VRC) 2:59.0

2. Leung Oi-mul (University) 3:00.2

3. Lykke Rose (VRC) 3:01.6

440 Yards Free Style

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 6:28.0

2. Leung Oi-mul (University) 6:28.0

3. Joan Eager (VRC) 7:08.4

50 Yards Back Stroke

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 35.4

2. Shauna Anderson (VRC) 38.0

3. Leung Oi-mul (University) 38.0

100 Yards Back Stroke

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 76.0

2. Shauna Anderson (VRC) 80.2

3. Leung Oi-mul (University) 80.2

50 Yards Breast Stroke

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 38.0

2. Wong Yuen-jing (Chinese YMCA) 39.6

3. Wong Yuen-jing (Chinese YMCA) 40.4

100 Yards Breast Stroke

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 82.4

2. Wong Yuen-jing (Lai Tsun) 88.0

3. Lykke Rose (VRC) 88.0

200 Yards Breast Stroke

1. Lykke Rose (VRC) 56.2

2. Wong Yuen-jing (Chinese YMCA) 58.0

3. Wong Yuen-jing (Chinese YMCA) 58.0

New Colony Swimming Record List

MEN'S EVENTS:

EVENT	HOLDER	TIME	YEAR
50 Yards Free Style	G. Saunders (VRC)	24.4	1947
100 Yards Free Style	D. Hutchinson (VRC)	56.2	1940
220 Yards Free Style	W. Lawrence (VRC)	2:25.0	1935
440 Yards Free Style	Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun)	5:19.0	1947
880 Yards Free Style	Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun)	11:14.0	1948
100 Yards Back Stroke	A. V. Lopes (VRC)	1:52.6	1948
100 Yards Breast Stroke	A. V. Lopes (VRC)	2:10.0	1948
200 Yards Breast Stroke	Ng Nin (Chung Sing)	4:41.0	1948
150 Yards Medley	W. Lawrence (VRC)	1:46.0	1948
200 Yards Relay	Sing Tao	3:55.6	1948
400 Yards Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	7:58.8	1948
300 Yards Medley Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	3:17.8	1948

WOMEN'S EVENTS:

50 Yards Free Style	Shauna Anderson (VRC)	29.6	1948
100 Yards Free Style	Mrs. Mead (VRC)	68.6	1934
220 Yards Free Style	Shauna Anderson (VRC)	2:59.0	1948
440 Yards Free Style	Lykke Rose (VRC)	6:28.0	1948
50 Yards Back Stroke	Lykke Rose (VRC)	35.4	1948
100 Yards Back Stroke	Lykke Rose (VRC)	76.0	1948
100 Yards Breast Stroke	Lykke Rose (VRC)	38.0	1948
200 Yards Breast Stroke	Lykke Rose (VRC)	82.4	1948
150 Yards Medley	Shauna Anderson (VRC)	1:46.0	1948
200 Yards Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	7:58.8	1948
300 Yards Medley Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	3:17.8	1948

Coming Events In The Sports World

TODAY

Meetings—Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association, Prince's Building, Room 211, 8.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Football—Second Division League: South China v. Army (HK) at Caroline Hill, Dockway v. Navy at Causeway Bay; Police v. St. Joseph's at Boundary Street; Army (Kowloon) v. KMB at Chatham Road; Solicitors v. CAA at St. Joseph's; War Department Chinese v. Kitcher at Army Ground (Kick-off at 5.30 p.m.).

THURSDAY

Football—Victory Shield: Services v. Chinese at Causeway Bay (Kick-off at 5.30 p.m.).

Second Division League: PCA v. University at St. Joseph's; Tramways v. Talkoo at Caroline Hill (Kick-off at 5.30 p.m.).

Meetings—Committee Meeting, Kowloon Chess Club, 6 p.m.

AUSTRALIA HAS A BOOM YEAR IN SPORT

Sydney, Oct. 3.—Australians hit more high spots in the sports year just ending than ever before. In England, Europe, and the United States, the boys and girls from "Down Under" won more medals than in any other year.

At home, sports records were smashed in the biggest boom of Australia's sporting history.

Australians put their cricketing effort at the top of international successes. For the first time in history, Australia won four of five cricket tests against England in England. The fifth was drawn. At the London Olympics, Aussies won the high jump and the sculling titles. Minor placings gave the Australian team more Olympic medals this year than the total they won in all past games.

At tennis, Australians John Bromwich and Frank Sedgman won the Wimbledon men's doubles. Bromwich and American Louise Brough won the mixed doubles.

Australian riflemen won the Empire rifle match at Bilsby and also took a King's badge. At golf, Jerry Norman Von Nida won big professional purses in the British Isles. In the United States, Jim Ferrier was among the top money winners.



This Victoria Recreation Club quartet won the Women's 200 Yards Relay title in the Colony Swimming Championships concluded at the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday.

They are—left to right—Joan Eager, Heather Anderson, Shauna Anderson and Lykke Rose. They were timed in 2 minutes 8.8 seconds for a new Colony record and present a formidable challenge to Manila in the coming Interport.—Telegraph Staff Photographer.

SWIMMING INTERNATIONAL

BRITAIN BEATS DENMARK

Copenhagen, Oct. 4.—Britain yesterday won the Anglo-Danish national swimming match, scoring a total of 99 points against Denmark's 87.

After Saturday's events, Denmark had the lead by 48 points against Britain's 45 points.

Britain won three double victories in the men's events yesterday.

John Brockway won the 100 metre back stroke in 1 min. 8.8 secs., followed by Bert Kinnear in 1 min. 10.1 secs. Third was Denmark's Poul Joergensen.

The men's 100 metres crawl was won by Britain's Ronald Stedman in 60.1 seconds. Second was Pat Kendall, Britain, in 60.8 secs. Denmark's Erik Christoffersen was third.

Britain's third double victory was in the 200 metre breaststroke, which was won by Roy Roast in 2 min. 47.2 secs. John Service was second in 2 mins. 50.7 secs and Denmark's E. Olsen was third.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Platform Diving: Thomas Christensen, Denmark, 113.20 points; Louis Marchant, Britain, 99.70. 400 Metres Crawl: Jack Hale, Britain, 4 min. 53 secs; Erik Christoffersen, Denmark, 5 min. 04.3 secs.

300 Metres Relay: Britain, 3 min 20 seconds; Britain (Second Team) 3 min. 25 secs.—Associated Press.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

100 Metres Backstroke: Karen Margrethe Harup, Denmark, 1 min. 15.8 sec; Helen Yale, Britain 1 min. 17.2 secs.

100 Metres Crawl: Greta Anderson, Denmark, 1 min. 03.7 sec; Lillian Preece, Britain, 1 min. 00.1 secs.

200 Metres Breaststroke: Jytte Hansen, Denmark, 3 min. 01.5 secs; Elmda Gordon, Britain, 3 min. 06.3 secs.

Three Metre Board Dive: Edna Child, Britain, 99.45 points; Birthe Christoffersen, Denmark, 95.05.

400 Metre Relay: Denmark 4 min. 35.7 secs; Britain, 4 min 39.3 secs.

Pro Football

New York, Oct. 3.—Scores of Sunday games in the American Professional Football League were:

Pittsburgh Steelers beat Boston Yanks 44-14.

Buffalo Bills beat Brooklyn Dodgers 31-21.

Washington Redskins beat New York Giants 41-10.

Philadelphia Eagles tied with Los Angeles Rams 28-28.—Associated Press.

BASEBALL

RED SOX AND INDIANS FINISH IN A TIE

New York, Oct. 3.—The Boston Red Sox and the Cleveland Indians finished the American Baseball League season yesterday in an unprecedented first place tie. Boston defeated the defending world champions New York Yankees, 10 to 6, while the Indians, who began the day a game ahead of the Red Sox, were upset, 7 to 1, by the Detroit Tigers.

The Yankees finished third, two games behind the co-leaders. The Red Sox and the Indians will clash in a one-game playoff to determine the championship. The winner will meet the National League champion, Boston Braves, in the World Series, scheduled to open in Boston on Wednesday.

Only once before, in 1946, did either league race end in a tie. That year, the Brooklyn Dodgers and the St. Louis Cardinals finished the season deadlocked for the National League pennant.

The Cards then beat the Dodgers two straight in a best out of three play-off and went on to down the Red Sox in the World Series.

ONE GAME PLAY-OFF

The American League constitution calls for a one-game sudden-death play-off in the event of a tie. Held to one scratch hit in the first two innings, Boston unloaded on New York's Bob Porterfield in the third inning, knocking him out of the box with a blast, that finally accounted for five big runs.

Dom DiMaggio opened the big inning with a single to right. After Johnny Pesky flied out, Ted Williams crossed up the Yankees' shift and doubled to left, scoring DiMaggio.

Vern Stephens singled off Bobby Brown's glove and Bobby Doerr scored both Williams and Stephens with a double to deep right center, on which Yogi Berra tried a running backhand slab but could not reach the ball.

A walk to Stan Spence and Billy Goodman's single to right, scoring Doerr, ended Porterfield.

Vic Raschi, the relief pitcher, yielded another run as Spence rallied while Tobettes forced Goodman.

After the Yankees came back with two runs in the fifth inning on Joe DiMaggio's two-run doubles to make it five to four, the Sox broke out again with four in the sixth.

Wilfred Lawrence Will Not Retire

By "RECORDER"

Wilfred Lawrence, whose achievement in setting up a new Colony record in the 150 Yards Medley at the age of 38 must rank as one of the most unusual feats in swimming history, told me on Saturday that he has no intention of retiring from swimming until such time as he feels that age has really caught up with him.

Discussing local swimming, Wilfred told me that the local standard is steadily on the upgrade and that local records are having a rest pending a new onslaught on them by two Victoria Recreation Club hopefuls who, he thinks, have greater potentialities in them than he ever had.

Wilfred's two hopes are Sonny Monteiro and Gerry Roza-Perella, both just a year or two over 20 now. The former, he thinks, will eventually hold all the Colony records in the free-style from the 220 to the 880 while the latter, he believes, will eventually get below 24 seconds for the 50 yards unless George Saunders will get there first.

As a matter of fact, Wilfred was expecting Gerry to get in ahead of Saunders on Saturday night but that did not materialise. Wilfred admitted that Gerry had but an outside chance and his effort in the 100 yards breast-stroke about 15 minutes earlier took a lot out of him.

START OF AN ERA

Wilfred Lawrence first competed in the Colony Championships in 1930 and his entry that year came purely by chance. He had spent some months in Shanghai where he played football and represented Portugal in the international final, won that year by the Portuguese team.

Swimming then was not among his sports. He was more interested in football and basketball. Returning to Hongkong in the summer of 1930 he found that most of the group with which he spent most of his leisure was keen on swimming and to remain within the fold, he took up swimming too.

It was the end of the Jimmy Johnstone era in the free style races and Wilfred surprised himself and everyone else by finishing second to him in both the 100 and 220 yards races.

In his second year in swimming, Wilfred competed in his first Interport, being unplaced in the 100 and 220 yards.

The same year, in the Colony Championships, he dead-heated with S. V. Gittins in the 100 yards final.

He had first touched 60 seconds for the 100 yards in 1930 and it was not until 1933 that he was able to improve on this, returning 50 4/5 seconds in winning the Colony Championship, this being the first time in some six or seven years that 60 seconds had been bettered for the distance.

He found eventually that he was no potential breast-stroke champion but managed to reach a standard in this that suggested he would probably do well in the medley. He tried and succeeded in winning the Colony Championship and setting a Colony record.

Wilfred still thinks that Ng Nin of Sing Tao was a much superior all-rounder in the three styles and since then has been steady with all five finalists bettering 60 flat in the heats this year.



WILFRED LAWRENCE

could have done much better in the medley had he more stamina. Wilfred's best times were not all accomplished in the Colony Championships and he thinks that marks set in Interports and ordinary galas should be accepted as Colony records if timed by the requisite three official time-keepers.

BEST MARKS

His best marks are 25 flat for 50 yards, 55.8 for 100 yards, 2:23.6 for 220 yards, 5:20.2 for 440 yards and 11:47 for 880 yards.

Chan Chun-nam has since bettered his 440 and 880 yards times and he was never a champion at 25 yards but he still ranks today as the best Hongkong swimmer ever produced in the 100 and 220.

Speaking of Hongkong standards as compared to those of the Empire, Wilfred recalled that a Hongkong swimmer, Kwok Chun-hang, had beaten Australia's best in the breast stroke, before the butterfly era, returning between 71 and 72 seconds for 100 yards.

Then, he said, an all-rounder of the calibre of Ng Nin who, at his best could do under 25 seconds for the 50 yards free style and in the 70 flat vicinity for the 100 yards back and breast-strokes, would be exceptional anywhere.

Speaking of improved standards, Wilfred also recalled that it was only in 1935 that 26 seconds for the 50 yards free style was beaten in the Colony Championships, when T. Padgett returned 25 4/5.

This year two of the competitors in this event who failed to make the final were timed in under 26 flat.

India Wants

Don Bradman

Bombay, Oct. 3.—Mr. A.S. de Mello, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India, returned home today from Britain and said that he hoped to obtain reconsideration of the Imperial Conference's decision that the M.C.C. would not visit India in 12 months' time.

He is to submit a report to the India Board at their meeting on October 15.

Mr. de Mello said that alternatively he had started negotiations for an Australian visit to India next year, but as the Australians would be visiting South Africa at the time, he really attractive Australian side could not be expected in India—unless, of course, Bradman agrees to come out and we will do our best to persuade him to come.—Reuter.

Schroeder Beats

Pancho Gonzales

RUSSIA'S EAST-WEST INTELLECTUAL BARRIER

British Scientists Concerned

London, Oct. 3.—Soviet Russia is today completing her intellectual withdrawal from the West which is almost without parallel in civilised history. Scientists here are deeply concerned about the development both because they feel knowledge should know no frontier and because they fear for the safety of their Russian colleagues whose international "views on science may conflict with the new Communist theory and practice."

Flodden Is Repeated

But This Time It's A Battle Of Words

London, Oct. 3.—England and Scotland—nominally at peace since they fought their last battle at Flodden in 1513 are at each other's throats again in a war of words.

The dirk and claymore are sheathed, the long bow and the gun no longer face each other across the border, but pen and typewriter are being welded with deadly effect. Heads are falling as fast as they did when the English executed captured Scots at "merry" Castile and the Scots handed out their traditional border justice, which was to hang a man first and try him afterwards.

The Royal Society of Saint George began it by protesting that writers for the press and radio were sinking England's identity in the word "Britain." This Society, named after England's patron saint, accused "a considerable body of writers, journalists and broadcasters of a concerted determination to avoid mentioning England and the English at all costs, even in contexts where it was wrong to use any other term."

WHADDYA MEAN—JUNIOR? The "junior partners" in the United Kingdom—Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland—retained their identity, the Society said, and asked "why should not the English, who comprise 82 per cent of the total electorate of the United Kingdom?"

Scotland, through the Saint Andrew's Society, has taken the "strongest exception" to being called a junior partner.

It asserts that for every occasion where "Britain" is used for "England" there are a hundred where "England" is used to denote the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

So far Wales and Northern Ireland have kept out of the fight, but there are fears that any day may see them send out a verbal expeditionary force. Southern Ireland, under its new name of Eire, is out of the battle area.

Peace is not expected until all writers and broadcasters have learned to write "England" or "Scotland" where only one country figures in the story and "Britain" or "United Kingdom" when two or more come into it.—Reuter.

Russell Recovers From Ordeal

Oslo, Oct. 3.—Efforts to refloat a sunken Sandringham flying boat in Hommelvik near Trondheim had to be abandoned today. The plane sank off Trondheim on Saturday when 19 of the 45 persons on board were drowned. Those killed included three children.

Earl Russell (Bertrand Russell) the philosopher, one of the survivors, was reported today completely recovered from his ten-minute ordeal in the icy water. He went sightseeing in Trondheim today and will lecture to the British Norwegian Society in Trondheim on Monday as arranged.

Earl Russell, the only British passenger on the flying boat, is 76.—Associated Press.

Dr Bunche—The Man Who Is Not Afraid

Haifa, Oct. 3.—An American negro professor is calmly keeping the lid on the Palestine truce in spite of warnings from Jewish terrorists that he is the next man marked for death.

Doctor Ralph J. Bunche, acting United Nations mediator since Count Folke Bernadotte's assassination, is hard to scare. "It was the Count's policy not to request personal protection but to leave it to the responsibility of the Jews and Arabs to determine what protection was necessary." The former Howard University political science professor said "that is still our policy."

"Recently when I went to Jerusalem," he added, "it seemed as if

There seems to be no doubt of the Soviet determination to erect a barrier between scientists of the East and West. Only recently Minister for Higher Education Kaptanov urged inventors and research workers not to disclose discoveries to the West on the ground that the democracies would only use them to strengthen the capitalist grip on the world.

Two Soviet scientists, M. Roskin and M. Kluyous, were said in a private dispatch to a London newspaper to have been detained on the remarkable charge that they transmitted information on cancer research to Western colleagues.

NEW TEXTBOOKS

Hand in hand with this apparent determination to keep secret Soviet research, is an equally disturbing indication that Russia is moving towards a straight ideological line in science.

Russia is to have new textbooks on biology based on the Michurin theory and physiology textbooks will also be revised away from what the democratic world is learning outside the iron curtain.

These developments in Russia are not completely a surprise to the West. Several months ago Radio Moscow's propaganda broadcasts began to pave the way by making a series of broad claims on the part played by Soviet science in world history.

Russia boasted that penicillin was discovered and used in Leningrad as far back as the eighteenth century, that the revolutionary Kibachev invented the rocket plane in 1811 while awaiting execution for the assassination of Czar Alexander II, that the jet engine was designed by Konstantin Tsiolkovsky in 1903.

Practically every other major invention also was traced back to a Soviet source.

The Moscow University held a conference on the "part played by Russian scientists in the development of research into the atom and its nucleus" at which it was said not a single important discovery in the field of atomic nucleus and generally of the conditions of the participation of Soviet scientists.

This was followed by a series of attacks on Western influences in Soviet music, literature, architecture and economy.

The Ukrainian Institute of Arts assailed the "hostile bourgeois nationalism" of some of its members. Famous composers agreed hastily to give up their "imitation of bourgeois modernism, and the Academy of Architects was warned by Pravda that some of its members were under subservience of the decadent bourgeois West.—United Press.

Grandson For Duke Of Alba

Madrid, Oct. 3.—The birth of a son to the Duke of Montoro and his husband, Luis Martinez de Irujo, was announced in Madrid today.

The baby, heir to the largest collection of titles held in Europe outside the Royal households, was born on Saturday.

The Duke of Montoro is the daughter of the Duke of Alba, a former Spanish Ambassador to London. Her husband is the fourth son of the Duke of Sotomayor. They were married in Seville in October, last year.

The baby is to be named Carlos after the present Duke of Alba who is seven times a Duke, fourteen times a Marquis, twenty times a Count and 24 times a knight.

The present Duke's wealth includes vast estates. Castles and valuable art collections.—Associated Press.



Engine of a freight train and another hauling the Atlantic Coast Line streamliner from Tampa to New York after head-on collision near Tampa, L. E. Hicks, of Tampa, Florida, was killed. — AP Picture.

War Not Inevitable, But It Could Happen

Joint Broadcast By Dominion Prime Ministers

Canberra, Oct. 3.—The Australian Prime Minister, Mr J. B. Chifley and Mr Peter Fraser, Prime Minister of New Zealand, in the first joint broadcast ever made by the Dominions' Premiers, agreed yesterday that although war is not imminent or inevitable, it could happen if some nations attempted to win the fruits of war without engaging in it.

Mr Chifley declared that there could be no peace if one country, in order to defend its particular economic or political system, attempted to bring other countries into line. He warned that small European democracies are suffering economic difficulties and added that internal as well as external threats to the democratic way of life must be guarded against.

MR HORNER IMPRESSED

London, Oct. 3.—Mr Arthur Horner, the Communist Secretary of the Mineworkers Union, who returned to London tonight with 14 other trade union representatives who have been visiting Czechoslovakia, said that they saw "an amazing picture" of recovery from war damage in that country.

Mr Horner said that they went about freely and toured iron foundries, the Skoda works, the Pilsen breweries and other factories, some of which had been demolished just before the end of the war.

Mr Horner added that there seemed no idea of war in Czechoslovakia and their Premier had told them that he did not believe in the possibility of war.

The Czech people seemed "healthy" but meat and fats were very scarce. Wage standards were below Britain's. The delegation spent a fortnight in Czechoslovakia. It included representatives of six trade unions and four private individuals.—Reuter.

Soviet Jet Plane

Washington, Oct. 3.—The Soviet Air Force is reported to have in service a new jet fighter plane powered by the British Rolls Royce engine with a top speed of between 630 and 680 miles per hour, the magazine Aviation Week said today.

It added that the plane is the work of Lieutenant General Alexander Gerasimovich Yakovlev, the designer of the Russian Yak fighter plane.—Reuter.

He said "We are ready to do away with any man." Probably no other negro ever held such an important international post. His word is an order for 300 white officers, including generals assembled from the armed forces of the United States, France and Belgium.

His staff sums it up this way: "He will never let Bernadotte down." The Government loaned Dr. Bunche to the UN from its State Department staff in 1946. One year later he became director of the trusteeship department and resigned his State Department post.

Since the United States, Britain and France have given support to Bernadotte's plan, UN morale in the Holy Land has climbed. Some observers predict "peace by Christmas." —Associated Press.

Engines In Collision

2,400 Communist Followers Arrested In Central Java

INSURGENT LEADERS IN FLIGHT

Batavia, Oct. 3.—Two thousand people have been arrested in Jogjakarta, the Indonesian Republican capital, and four hundred in Surakarta, Central Java, as a result of anti-Communist agitation, Dr Sutan Sjahrir, former Premier and now adviser to the Indonesian Republican President, Dr I. R. Soekarno, said here today.

Dr Sjahrir, who arrived yesterday after a week's visit to Jogjakarta, told The Netherlands news agency, that the anti-Communist agitation, fostered by the Moslem political organisation, the Masjumi, was largely the result of the Communist revolt at the East Java town of Madiun.

Among those arrested were leaders and members of the Moderate parties, including his own party which broke away from the Socialists earlier this year, he said.

Dr Sjahrir added that a "new approach" would shortly be made to solve existing problems in a "last attempt" to end the conflict between the Dutch and the Republicans.

He said that he believed the Communist forces which had retreated from Madiun to the mountains would not be able to wage guerrilla warfare for long, although the area was fortified by the Japanese during the war.

He thought the local population would not give the Communists the support necessary for guerrilla warfare.

The Republicans were using 5,000 men to subdue the Communists in the Madiun area, he added. Bonorogo and Dungus, the last Communist strongholds in East Java, of any size except for the south coast harbour of Patjitan, fell yesterday to Republican forces, the Republican news agency Antara, reported tonight.

LEADERS FLEE SOUTH

They both lie near the city of Madiun, the Communist centre in East Java recaptured from the Communists last Thursday.

Villagers from Dungus told the Republican forces that the Communist leaders, Dr Amir Sjarifuddin and Muso, were seen on Friday in the village, which is in the Wills Mountains.

They afterwards fled southwards, it was believed. Dragsels have been organised to capture the Communist leaders, who are believed to be attempting to organise resistance in the mountainous regions.

Antara also reported that Sidik Arslan, known as the "Tito of East Java" and commander of the armed Socialist Youth Movement, the Pesindo, was captured by Republican forces during a recent Communist counter-attack from Dungus.

The remnants of the Communist forces have now been compressed into a triangle between Madiun, Ngawi to the north, and Tjirubun, or have retreated up the slopes of the Wills mountains.

At Magelang, north of the Republican capital of Jogjakarta, the insurgents were surrendering. Others had fled to the mountains or had dispersed among the population, the agency added.—Reuter.

Protest Over Murder Of Boy

Sofia, Oct. 3.—Bulgaria has sent a note of protest to Yugoslavia about the death on Bulgarian territory of a shepherd boy from the frontier village of Resen.

The note says that a Yugoslav sergeant "murdered" the boy, Ljuban Angelov, on Sept. 20. The note continues that the boy was shot with dum dum (expanding) bullets in the yard of his home before his parents.

The Bulgarian government protested "most energetically" against this barbaric crime, insisted that measures be taken against the murderer and demanded that an indemnity be paid to the boy's parents.—Associated Press.

"Indefinite" Strike Planned

Paris, Oct. 3.—French miners—some 335,000 strong—granted a 15 per cent wage increase during the past week, are due to walk out tomorrow on an "indefinite" strike, which, if complete, would cost the country a month's national income for each 10 days it lasts.

The strike, called by the Miners' Federation, affiliated to the Communist-controlled General Labour Confederation, is in support of claims challenging the Government's right to decree more economical management of this nationalised industry.

A total stoppage would cut down coal production by 145,000 tons a day.

Parisians were advised today to fill their baths and any containers with water to prepare for a possible stoppage of work by Waterworks men on Tuesday, the latest development in the wave of labour unrest sweeping across France.

Other services in which strikes are threatened are the French posts, gas workers in Eastern France and municipal employees in Nice.

More Aid For China Advocated

Washington, Oct. 3.—The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, in a report issued tonight, urged "greater outright military assistance" and "greater financial aid for the Chinese Government."

China was a "decisive area" for the democratic West, the report said, and the "survival of China" as a democratic nation is vital to the safety of all democratic nations.—Reuter.

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